



CITY OF DURHAM | DURHAM COUNTY  
NORTH CAROLINA

MEMORANDUM



**Date:** September 24, 2012

**To:** Michael M. Ruffin, County Manager

**Through:** Lee Worsley, Deputy County Manager

**From:** Steven L. Medlin, AICP, Planning Director *S. L. Medlin*

**Subject:** Unified Development Ordinance Text Amendment – Technical Changes VII (TC1200001)

**Summary.** This text amendment would make necessary minor technical revisions to various provisions of the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO).

**Recommendation.** Planning staff recommends that the Board of Commissioners approves the text amendment. The Planning Commission recommended approval on July 10, 2012, with a vote of 9-4. The Durham City Council considered this text amendment at their September 17, 2012, meeting.

**Background.** Staff has initiated six comprehensive technical change text amendments since the UDO took effect on January 1, 2006. In each case, both governing bodies adopted the proposed text amendment. This text amendment would continue the practice of making minor technical revisions to the UDO as necessary. On April 4 and May 2, 2012, the Joint City-County Planning Committee reviewed, and provided guidance regarding, the proposed amendments.

**Issues.** The proposed changes are listed on Attachment A to this document. In each case, an explanation is provided in brackets at the beginning of the section. Most of the changes were suggested by City and County staff.

**Alternatives.** The Board of Commissioners may deny or modify all or part of the proposed text amendment.

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**Attachments:** **Attachment A**, An Ordinance to Amend Provisions of the Unified Development Ordinance (TC1200001), Mark-up Version  
**Attachment B**, An Ordinance to Amend Provisions of the Unified Development Ordinance (TC1200001), Clean Version  
**Attachment C**, July 10, 2012, Planning Commission comments